GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MINIKITS OF SEEDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide minikits of seeds of different varieties of Mutter, Masoor, Moong and Urad released during the last ten years to Madhya Pradesh under the Pulses Production Programme;

(b) if so, the time by which the miniktis of seeds are likely to be provided;

(c) whether the Government are also considering to remove the restriction of ten years relating to the minikits of seeds; and

(d) if so, the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) & (b): The minikits of different varieties of Pea (Mutar) Masoor, Moong and Uradare being distributed through State Department Agriculture, Government of MadhyaPradesh under National Pulses Development Project (NPDP)These minikits are being provided since inception of the scheme for the varieties which are less than ten years old. These minikits are provided free of cost to the farmers and cost of the minikit used to be borne by Government of India and state Government on sharing pattern of 75:25basis. However during IXth Plan effective from 2000-2001 the 100% cost of minikit is borne by the Government of India.

(c) & (d): There is no proposal to remove the restriction of ten years relating to the varieties under minikit programme.